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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
25th July 1871.*

Read the following papers :—

No. 410. From the Controller of Public Works Accounts, to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Madras, 26th June 1871, No. 830.

With reference to the remark against Item No. 1 in the "Statement of Objectionable Items," in the accounts "for March 1871" of the 5th Division, I have the honour to annex copy of the observations recorded by the Superintending Engineer in the Audit Note upon the Bangalore Range Accounts, in explanation of the excess over estimate for the work "Constructing a Canteen for Cavalry on the Race Course."

No. 86.

The payment of 185 Rupees in question was authorized by this office under the following circumstances :—

	Rs.	A.	P.
The total outlay on the work up to 1867-68 was	23,272	11	3
Do. do in 1870-71	185	0	0
	23,457	11	3
Deduct estimate	22,290	0	0
	1,167	11	3
Deduct also the amount of deficiencies as per G. Os., Nos. 300 and 2,857, of the 2nd February and 26th September 1865...	274	3	3
Net excess	893	8	0

or about 4 per cent. on the estimate.

2. This excess is attributed to the fact that certain wooden materials first prepared and charged to the work could not be utilized on it, in consequence of the revision of the design ; and, moreover, to the amount realized by the sale of these materials having been credited to Government instead of to the work.

3. Again, in the statement of Savings and Demands forwarded to Government on the 9th February 1871, from this office, the fact was fully set forth, and the amount of Rupees 185 was applied for for finally settling the Contractor's claims ; but this item was not specially noticed in G. O., No. 632, of the 3rd March 1871, as the amount was within 500 Rupees. And this office, therefore, under the authority conveyed in paragraph 4 of that G. O., sanctioned the payment of the 185 Rupees now objected to by the Controller.

4. Bill and completion certificate are returned herewith.

(Signed) A. BOILEAU, Colonel, R.E.,
Superintending Engineer, 5th Division.

No. 411. From the Controller of Public Works Accounts, to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Madras, 5th July 1871, No. 945.

With reference to paragraph 1 of the Proceedings of Government, No. 238, of 30th June 1871, I have the honour to state that the Superintending Engineer's explanation, in reference to Item 1 of the "Statement of Objectionable Items" for March, was furnished by this office in letter No. 830, of the 26th June 1871. Annexed are that officer's remarks in regard to Items 2 and 6.

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Controller of P.W. Accounts

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25th July 1871.*

"Item 2.—Supply of Skittle Balls and Pins to Her Majesty's 16th Lancers.—The Executive Engineer reports that the articles were supplied from the stock under his charge, which had been formerly purchased and charged to the head 'Miscellaneous Advances.' At the end of February 1871 there was a sum of Rupees 290-5-0 remaining unadjusted under this head, which has been now reduced to Rupees 184-11-0. As the amount of Rupees 105-10-0 objected to was thus credited to the head 'Miscellaneous Advances' on the one hand, and debited on the other to the head 'New Works,' the Executive Engineer did not consider it necessary to apply for a special allotment.

"Item 6.—Ordinary Tools and Plant.—The excess under Repairs and Carriage is owing to a transfer adjustment for an outlay of Rupees 133-9 11 incurred by the Superintendent of Public Works Stores in repairing certain scientific instruments, which was communicated late in March, and it was too late to apply to Government for a transfer of funds to cover this outlay."

No. 412. Endorsement of the Superintending Engineer, 5th Division, dated Cuddalore, 6th July 1871, No. 80.

From the Executive Engineer, No. 1 Range, South Arcot, to the Superintending Engineer, 5th Division, dated Cuddalore, 5th July 1871, No. 313.

With reference to G. O., No. 238, of the 30th June 1871, calling for further explanation in regard to the expenditure in excess of allotment for the Allangal channel in the past official year, I have the honour to state that the manner in which this excess expenditure was brought about is as follows:—

2. In the month of January last the Overseer, Manickum Moodelliar, was called upon to state how much of the allotment for this work he would be able to spend during the official year 1870-71. On the receipt of this statement from him I surrendered as much of the allotment as was supposed could not be spent, keeping only what the Overseer thought he could get through.

3. The Overseer, however, sent in bills in excess of the sum he thought he could spend, as labour was available and the contractors pushed on with work faster than we anticipated.

4. However, as there was an allotment for this work in the Budget for the current year, there was no necessity to stop the work, inasmuch as I could make payments for work done during March in April, and paying up only to the extent of amount available this year.

5. The Overseer instead of measuring up work only to cover the sum available in 1870-71, measured up and sent in bills to my office for payment for the whole work done. On the receipt of these bills they were (as usual in all cases) given over to the Accountant to be checked and examined, and it was his duty before he brought them to me for payment to compare the bills carefully with previous payments, and see that the estimate or grant in each case was not exceeded; the bills for this work were brought to me with a lot of others supposed to have been previously examined and checked, and I drew cheques on the Treasuries as usual.

6. As I have already stated in my letter No. 165, of 31st May 1871, I had only two men in my office, and the work in the last month in the year was unusually heavy; the Accountant, in explanation, states, that, owing to press of work, he overlooked the fact that the whole allotment was not available, and that we had

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given up a portion of it, and therefore presented to me for payment the final bills as it was, instead of reducing the amount to the sum available in that year, leaving the balance to be paid in March.

7. It is clear that I must to a great extent rely on my office in matters of this sort, as I have not the time to check and examine every bill myself, except so far as measuring up and satisfying myself that the work charged for in these bills is actually done.

SUBMITTED to Government with reference to G. O., No. 238, of the 30th June 1871.

(Signed) A. BOILEAU, Colonel, R.E.,
Superintending Engineer, 5th Division.

No. 413. ORDER THEREON, 25th July 1871, No. 1,948.

ACCOUNT, No. 37.

UNDER the explanations afforded in the letters above recorded the Controller of Public Works Accounts will be authorized to pass the charges appearing as Items 1, 2, 3, and 6, in the Statement of Objectionable Items in the 5th Division for the month of March last, but with reference to Item 2, the Superintending Engineer will report whether the skittles made over to the Military authorities were first supplies, if not, the value should be recovered in accordance with G. O., No. 2,399, dated 20th August 1864, and in regard to Item 3, the Government must remark that Range Officers are expected to personally see that sanctioned amounts are not exceeded.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) J. CARPENDALE, Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Government.

No. 414. DOCKET No. 1,949, dated 25th July 1871.

COPY of the above forwarded to the Government of India, in continuation of docket No. 239, dated 30th June 1871.

(True Extract.)

Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Government.

Exd. E. C. Shunker.

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Controller of P.W. Accounts

Office of the Controller of
P.W. Accounts
Madras 26th June 1871
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N^o 830

From
The Controller of P.W. Accounts
To the Secretary to Government
Public Works Dept.
Fort St. George

Sir,
With reference to the remark
against Item N^o 1 in the "State-
ment of objectionable Items" in the
Accounts "for March 1871" of the 5th
Division, I have the honor to an-
nex copy of the observations recorded
by the Superintending Engineer in the
Audit Note upon the Bangalore
Range Accounts, in explanation of
the Excess over Estimate for the
work "Constructing a Carten for Cavalry,
on the Race Course".

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your Most Obedient Servant
S. Hoell
Controller of P.W. Accounts

Encl.

N. 86.

5702

The payment of 185 Rupees for
question was authorized by this office
under the following circumstances:-
The total outlay on the work up to
1867-68 was

Rupees	23272-11-3
185-0-0	
23457-11-3	
22260-0-0	
1187-11-3	

Deduct also the amount
of deficiencies as per
GOVT No. 300 & 2857 of
the 2nd February & 26th
September 1865

274-3-3
Net Excess-893-0-0

or about 4 per cent on the Estimate.
This excess is attributed to the fact
that certain wooden materials first
prepared and charged to the work
could not be utilized on it in con-
sequence of the revision of the design
and moreover to the amount realized
by the sale of these materials having
been credited to Government instead
of to the work.

Again in the statement
of

of Savings and Demands, forwarded
to Government on the 9th February, 1871
from this office, the fact was fully
set forth and the amount of Rupees
185 was applied for for finally settling
the Contractor's claims, but this
item was not specially noticed in
G.O. No 632 of the 3rd March 1871, as
the amount was within 500 Rs.
And this office therefore, under the
authority conveyed in para 4 of
that G.O. sanctioned the pay-
ment of the 185 Rupees, now objected
to by the Contractor..

Bill and completion Certificate
are returned herewith..

/s/ A. Boileau Colonel R.E.
Super Engineer, 5th Division

(True Copy)

S. Hoell

Comptroller of P.W. Accounts.

Exd. Secy.

No 2. 1871. 165-170 30232
 26 Sept. 524-641
 3rd March 1871 71035
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The Controller of
 Accounts

The Secretary to
 Government

dated 26 June 1871
 Recd 27 1871

Enclosed copy
 of the observations of
 the Executive Engineer
 in reference to the
 expenditure estimate
 for constructing a
 Canteen on the River
 Course at Bangalore
 - 1871.

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No 410

Office of the Controller of
 Public Works Accounts
 No 945
 Madras, 5 July 1871.

The Controller of
 Public Works Accounts
 To the Secretary to Government,
 Public Works Department,
 Fort St. George.

Sir,
 With reference to para
 1 of the Proceedings of Government
 No 238, of 30th June 1871, I have the
 honor to state that the Superintend-
 ing Engineer's explanation in reference
 to the statement of objec-
 tions for March was
 furnished by this Office in letter
 No 238 of the 26th June 1871. Annexed
 are the Officer's remarks in regard
 to the same.

Item 2
 Supply of Bill
 to the Executive Engineer reports
 that the articles were supplied
 from the stock under his charge,
 which had been formerly purchased
 and

No 313.

South. Acot.

Range Office No 1

Gridded Lane, 2nd July 1891.

From: The Executive Engineer,
1st Range, South. Acot.
To: The Superintending Engineer,
5th Division.

Sir,
With reference to G. O. No
238 of the 30th June 1891, calling for further
elucidation in regard to the expendi-
ture in excess of allotment for the
Allungab Channel in the past official
year, I have the honor to state that
the manner in which this excess
expenditure was brought about is as
follows:-

1. In the month of January
last, the Ameer Khan Khan Modeliar
was called upon to state how much
of the allotment for this work he
would be able to spend during the
official year 1890-91. On the receipt
of his statement from him I
surrendered as much of the allotment

Public Works Dept. South. Acot.

No 313

2nd July 1891

The Executive Engineer

1st Range, South. Acot.

To: The Superintending Engineer

5th Division.

For forwarding to

the Executive Engineer

1st Range, South. Acot.

Dated 5th

2nd July 1891

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The Executive Engineer

1st Range, South. Acot.

For forwarding to

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5th Division.

For forwarding to

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1st Range, South. Acot.

No 313

2nd July 1891

as was supposed could not be spent,
keeping only what the Overseer thought
he could get through.

3. The Overseer however sent in
Bills in excess of the sum he thought
he could spend, as labor was available,
and the Contractors pushed on with
work faster than we anticipated.

4. However as there was an allotment
for this work in the Budget for the
current year, there was no necessity to
stop the work, inasmuch as I
could make payments for work done
during March in April, and paying
up only to the extent of amount
available this year.

5. The Overseer instead of measuring
up work only to cover the sum
available in 1850, measured up &
sent in Bills to my office for payment
for the whole work done. On the
receipt of these Bills they were, as
usual in all cases, given over to the
accountant to be checked and
examined, and it was his duty before

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not exceeded; the Bills for this work
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others supposed to have been previously
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cheques on the Treasury as usual.

6. As I have already stated in my
letter No 165 of 31st May 1851, I had
only two men in my office, and the
work in the last month in the year
was unusually heavy, the Accountant
in explanation states that owing to
press of work he overlooked the fact
that the whole allotment was not
available, and that we had given
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final Bill as it was, instead of
reducing the amount to the sum
available in that year, leaving the
balance to be paid in March.

It is clear that, I must to a

great extent rely on my office in
matters of this sort, as I have not
the time to check and examine every
Bill myself, so far as incurring
up and satisfying myself that the
work charged for in these Bills is
actually done.

With these explanations,
I have V. V.
[Signed] R. E. Vorster
Sr. Engineer, No. 1 Bridge,
South Act.

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No 80
Superintg. Engr's Office
Cuddalore 6th July 1871.

Submitted to Government with
reference to G. O. No. 238 of the 30th
June 1871.

~~A. H. A. A.~~
Superintg. Engineer
5th Division

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No 1948
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Read following

From The Controller of P.W.A. / H.E. No 830 of 26th June 1871)
From — do — do — 945 of 5th July —
From The Superintg Engineer — 80 of 8th —

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ment of Objectionable
Items in the 5th Division
for

Public Works 1871 Report
From — do — do —
The Superintg Engineer
5th Division.
To The Secretary to Govt
P.W.D.

Dated 6th 3 July 1871.
Recd 10th 3

No 80. G.
Allangal Channel.
Submitting Range
Officers' ^{further} Explanation
relative to the excess
over the grant for the
Allangal Channel
in the North Arcot
District
No 1948-1949-25 July 71

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to item 2, the Suptg. Engrs
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skittles made over to the
Military authorities were
first supplied. If not,
the value should be re-
covered in accordance
with G.O. No 2399, dated
20th August 1864, and
in regard to item 3, the
Government must remark
that Range Officers are
expected to personally
see that sanctioned
amounts are not
exceeded.

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To the Suptg. Engineer
5th Controlling

Desd 26/7/71

M.L. No 1949 of 25 July 71

Copy of the
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above forwarded to the
Govt of India in contin-
uation of Sackat No 239,
dated 30th June 1871

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Desd 26/7/71

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Govt of 1871 Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS.

To The Superintending Engineer
5th Division
And
To The Secretary to the Govt.
of India

Dated

Recd.

G. O. 25 July 1871. N. 1448-1749.

Nos. 140 & 1314/11

Packet

Enclosing copy of
Pro. in papers relating to
certain objectionable
items which appeared
in the accounts of the
5th Div in March/71.

objectionable items. Taking
orders in letters from the
Inspector of the 5th Div
relating to certain ob-
jectionable items which
appeared in the accounts
of the 5th Div in March/71.